

Woodside Matters

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This term's school value is Courage

This week we have certificates for:

Dojos: Mabel, Chloe, Bodhi, Ruby, Leyton, Kayden, Eve & Ruby

Achievement: Effie, Vinnie, Dylan, Izzy, Arthur, Charlie, Theo, Lucy, Char-

lie, Layla & Scarlet

Reading: Reuben, Savanah, Nyla, Ellis, Leyton, Noah, Evie & Tyler

ProStar: Sierra, Olivia & Sofia

Well done to Layla for doing so well in her recent gymnastics competition—2nd on vault and 5th on floor, 4th overall, Demaris for her badge from Rainbows, Bertie for his success with darts, Angus and Lexi for their kickboxing awards, Arthur, Vinnie, Reuben, Clay and Frankie for their ball awards. What fantastic children you all are!

Break time snacks

We'd like to ask all children who bring in a snack for playtime to help us reduce our waste and care for the environment. Children are encouraged to bring in a healthy snack; ideally fruit or vegetables. We'd like to ask that no snack is brought in if it is wrapped up in a plastic wrapper or box. Things like fruit, vegetables, little slices of cheese, breadsticks or rice cakes are all suitable snacks. If needed, these can be brought into school in a re-useable named pot or tub. Anything with wrappers, (such as yoghurts or fruit winders) please keep for eating at home or lunchtime. A few children are eating crisps or chocolate bars at break time, we'd prefer these to be eaten at lunchtime with a main meal please. Children in EYFS and KS1 are all eligible for free fruit or vegetables at playtime so may not need to bring a snack at all. As a reminder, we also do not accept birthday cakes or sweets to share out in class, due to food allergies and intolerances for some of our children. Thank you for your support with this.

Smart Watches

A few of our children are wearing watches that have audio, text and video recording capabilities, a bit like a mobile phone. If this is the case then the watch needs to be handed into the school office to keep safe during school hours please. This is so that other children are not recorded without consent. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

Term Dates 2025

Summer Term 2025

28th April—21st July

Half Term: May 26th—30th

Class contact

If you have a class-based query, please contact your child's teacher in the first instance via the school office. Please be assured that teachers will respond, but not necessarily on the same day. Teachers are not expected to respond whilst they are teaching or beyond 5pm; your patience is appreciated.

100 Club

For all children wishing to take part in our school's fundraising 100 Club please contact the school office.

Congratulations to

Lucy

who is our winner this week!

It's a great way to support the school as money raised goes towards funds for the children.

We promote British Values and uphold our own school values of **friendship**, **determination**, **respect**, **tolerance**, **courage** and **self-belief**. As a reminder our Safeguarding, Behaviour, Complaints and other policies are on the website should you wish to view them.



Eco-Schools









West Gloucestershire Schools Partnership

Upcoming dates

18th June — Sports Day pm (weather permitting)

19th June—Year 5/6 Federation sports event

20th June—Drama Club performance to parents 2.40pm

24th June—moving up morning to new classes for September

26th June—moving up mornings to new classes for September

1st July and 8th July interhouse sports PE Kit required ALL CLASSES

3rd July—Porthcawl seaside trip Year 1 and 2

4th July—School Summer Fayre

7th July—Year 5 Super Learning Day at Five Acres High School

9th July—Winifred Foley assembly 2.30pm

17th July—Leavers Assembly Year 6 parents 1:30pm

Attendance

Thank you so much for your support with school attendance.

Attendance percentage

School	95.9%
National	94.8%
Local Authority	94.9%

Rights Respecting

Children have weekly Rights Respecting assemblies. This week our assemblies have focused on:

World Music Day Article 13- Every child has the right to share freely their opinions through speaking out, drawing or writing Article 28- Children have a right to an education. Equality/ mutual respect

Trip to Parliament

On Tuesday we were lucky enough to be able to take 10 children along with others from our Federation to the Houses Of Parliament in London. It was a very long day but we were able to enjoy a tour of both the House of Commons and House of Lords, we were able to watch a live debate in the House of Commons and met some of the Lords who were reading bills before they were discussed later in the day. We took part in a learning session about how laws were made before meeting our local MP Matt Bishop. An amazing day!



















Term time holiday requests

Although term time leave request forms are available from the office, this does not mean that holidays are authorised or the request will be granted. Parents should be aware that the law does not grant parents an automatic right to take their child out of school during term time. The Department for Education allows a Head teacher the discretion to consider authorizing a leave of absence in term time only in "exceptional circumstances".

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In the case of an unauthorised leave of absence the Head teacher may request that the Local Authority issue a Fixed Penalty Notice without further warning to the parent. Please note that such a penalty is issued to each parent for each child taken out of school. Fines may be triggered if a child misses 10 sessions of school or is in late, after the registers have closed. Please be aware that a normal school day is the equivalent to 2 sessions.







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 \rightarrow Wednesday, 25 June 2025. 1-3 pm



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